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PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

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The above identified patent application filed herewith is a continuation of application serial number 968,216.

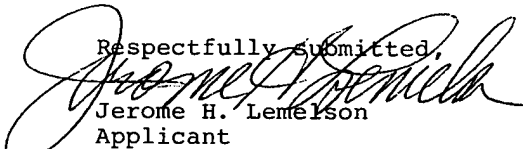
Claims 1,2 and 13 of serial number 968,216 correspond to claims 1,2 and 15 of the application filed herewith as a continuation of serial no. 968,213 and were allowed by the Board of Appeal decision dated August 24, 1984.

The remaining claims of the patent application filed herewith have been carefully drafted by applicant and are believed to define a single patentable invention with the allowed claims 1 and 15. For the reasons presented by the Board of Appeals decision and applicant's arguments presented in his Brief on Appeal it is submitted that claims 3-14 and 16-20 also patentably define over the prior art and are allowable.

An early action and allowance is therefore respectfully requested so that this case may pass to issue.

If the Examiner is of the belief that a telephone interview will help to advance the prosecution of this application, it is requested that he call applicant at telephone 201-549-3240.

Respectfully submitted,


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